

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES,

FEBRUARY 26, 1891.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. SAWYER, from the Committee on Pensions, submitted the following

REPORT:

[To accompany H. R. 5213.]

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 5213) granting a pension to Frederick Hart, have examined the same and report:

The report on which this bill was passed by the House is concurred in, and is as follows:

The Committee on Invalid Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 5213) granting a pension to Frederick Hart, submit the following report:

The claimant enlisted October 13, 1862, and was discharged May 15, 1865, on surgeon's certificate of disability, Thos. H. Helsløy, surgeon, who states in his certificate that an extensive exostosis tumor of right femur lower third, greatly impeding marching and free use of the limb, unfitting him for service in the Veteran Reserve Corps.

This disease has existed all the time since the war and to the present time. He made application for a pension in 1876, and it was rejected upon the ground that this disability existed prior to his enlistment, but your committee believe this is based upon error, as the man served nearly three years in active service, making heavy marches and engaging in many battles. He claims his disabilities were received at the battle of Falling Waters, Maryland, and your committee believe, from the evidence on file with the claim, that such is the truth, and therefore recommend the passage of the bill.

The bill is reported favorably, with a recommendation that it do pass